CALCASIEU PARISH

Residents of Calcasieu were hard hit by Hurricane Rita, and economic development tops the list of their recovery priorities. Residents also feel that zoning and land use plans should be used to guide redevelopment.

WHEN WILL WE RETURN?

20% Safer than before

63% Same level of safety as before

17% Move back now



Effects of Rita

Calcasieu was severely affected by the hurricane. Over 61% of buildings suffered damages, and the parish experienced evacuation of up to 19,000 households.

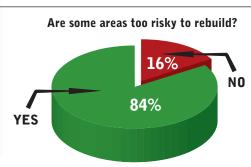
PARISH TOP PRIORITIES:

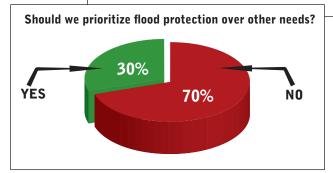
- #1 Attract new businesses to the area
- #2 Provide better community & social services
- #3 Encourage development of new housing
- #4 Improve the schools

WE TREASURE...

...our green spaces an<mark>d</mark> parks, marsh habitats, Cheniers and the lake. We value our architectural character and the strong Cajun culture shown in our older and historic neighborhoods.







WE STRONGLY AGREE

97% Changing our parish plans is an option if it makes the region stronger

96% Zoning and land use plans should be used to guide rebuilding

84% Some places are too risky to rebuild

75% It is not essential that residents be allowed to return to their original home sites

73% Public buildings should not be rebuilt in high-risk areas

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